

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED July 5, 2002
Attorney Docket No. 23453-016
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/661,188

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are all the claims pending in this application. Claims 1, 9 and 16 are amended to clarify the invention. The Office Action has been reviewed and, in view of the foregoing amendments and following comments, reconsideration and allowance of all the rejected claims are respectfully requested.

Appendix A is attached to this Response representing the marked-up version of amended claims.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Yost et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,154,766). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection on the following basis.

Claims 1 and 16 respectively recite, *inter alia*, a system and method for generating an active voice page that provides interactive and real-time voice services to at least one user. Furthermore, claims 1 and 16 clarify that personalized content is conveyed to the at least one user and that the at least one user may respond to the at least one service.

Although Yost et al. discloses a system and method for automatic generation of personalized output from an on-line analytical processing system (see the abstract), Yost et al. is deficient because it fails to teach or suggest a system and/or method for generating an active voice page that provides *interactive and real-time voice services* to at least one user. Rather, Yost et al. discloses “generating information to a plurality of user systems using ‘push’ technology” (see Yost et al., col. 10, lines 15-18). In particular, Yost et al. discloses

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broadcasting the formatted and personalized services to subscribers at user devices (see Yost et al., col. 10, lines 55-58), however Yost et al. fails to teach or suggest that the subscribers may respond to the broadcasted message. As a result, Applicants' claimed subject matter is distinguished from Yost et al.'s device which fails to generate an active voice page that provides *interactive and real-time voice services* to at least one user.

Since Yost et al. neither disclosed nor suggests the invention claimed in independent claim 1 and its dependent claims 2-8 or the invention claimed in independent claim 9 and its dependent claims 10-16, these claims clearly are not anticipated by Yost et al.'s disclosure. For the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and allowance of these claims are requested.

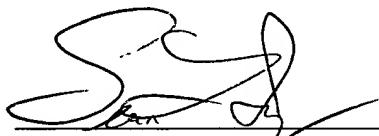
Applicants have also amended independent claims 1 and 9 to recite that the claimed invention may be subscribed to, as discussed at least at page 66, lines 2-9 of the present specification.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and such disposition is hereby solicited. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference or interview would advance prosecution of this application in any manner, the undersigned stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

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It is believed that no other fees are due in connection with filing this Response. In the event that it is determined that fees are due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Docket No. 23453-016.

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APPENDIX A

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A system for generating an active voice page ~~to deliver that provides~~ interactive and real-time voice services to ~~a~~ at least one user, the active voice page comprising at least one markup language document, the system comprising:
 - a subscription interface that enables the at least one user to subscribe to at least one service that can output personalized content;
 - an input module that receives data reports and a structure for a the voice service;
 - a markup language converting module that converts the data reports and the structure into a markup language; and,
 - a blending module for blending the converted data reports and the converted structure into an the active voice page, wherein the personalized content is conveyed to the at least one user and the at least one user may respond to the at least one service.

9. (Amended) A method for generating an active voice page ~~to deliver that provides~~ interactive and real-time voice services to ~~a~~ at least one user, the active voice page comprising at least one markup language document, the method comprising:
 - enabling the at least one user to subscribe to at least one service that can output personalized content;
 - receiving data reports and a structure for a the voice service;
 - converting the data reports and the structure into a markup language; and,
 - blending the converted data reports and the converted structure into an the active voice

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page, wherein the personalized content is conveyed to the at least one user and the at least one user may respond to at least one service.

16. (Amended) The method of claim 9 further comprising:

receiving one or more style properties that are unique to ~~a~~the at least one user; and,

generating a call request for the at least one user from the active voice page and the style

properties.